THE DOUBTFUL ISLAND-

smoking and talking

him at the same time a manuscript.

death the entire record should be deposited ing given it the name of Sellna. in triplicate with the naval authorities of "Some months after L'Hirondelle re-the United States, France and Great turned with the strange news that the isl-Britain.

face, the light blue, undaunted American The Island Could was extreme. Capeye and the sharp American voice. Sir

flanked, blond, with a tawny leonine French maritime authorities took any furblondness, and with that icy self-control ther steps in the matter. with which an Englishman can discuss "The island was not heard of again until with which an Englishman can discuss coolly all the things that fire other men to madness. He smoked lazily while Warrington pounced upon the story as a pointer takes to his field work. He felt that his professional reputation would be made by the story, and the thought made his blood gallop. Sir Kenneth began this blood gallop. Sir Kenneth began ward bound, brought some letters, both official and private, from the Albany to the United States. One of these was a communication from the commander of

dred tons, of Bristol, England, command-island in latitude 1 ed by Captain Wright, from Singapore tude 142 deg. 16 m island in the name of the British govern- to this day, ment. He planted a fingstaff and made, "Meanwhi igin in other ways this origin appeared two, in 1874. igin in other ways this origin appeared two, in 1874.

to be flatly contradicted. Captain Wright.

"He was a man of peculiar temper, but."

Throughout Langton behaved apparent-

ure to find the island.

top, but instead of finding a men. plateau, as he expected, there was a great volcano.

ferns grew, not only to the edge, but within the basin itself. The flagstaff left by Captain Wright was gone and also something like fifteen pounds. There were also indications of amber in great profusion over the whole island and espe cially upon the shores of Selina Bay.

"As Captain Monerieff was inspired sole ly by professional pride and the determin nation to set himself right with the Act miralty he said nothing about his discovery of amber to any one on boar the bark. The wisdom of this wa shown the next day, when Captain Mon

which proved to be nearly twelve miles 1 "This was Eleaner Chetwand, the only stastic sailor, demanded that he should trouble or delay, which proved to be nearly twelve in the proved to be nearly twelve in the proved to be nearly twelve in an another proved to be nearly twelve in an arriver of diamonds if she on the cruiser and virginal, dashed in an iron box lying at its foot in which proved to be nearly twelve in an arriver of diamonds if she of the first one to see land.

"A great bappiness had come to him by clearness against the blazing glare that the cruiser in an iron box lying at its foot in which proved to be nearly twelve in the proved to be nearly twelve in the proved to be nearly twelve in an arriver of diamonds if she of the iron to the cruiser in an iron box lying at its foot in which proved to be nearly twelve in the proved to be

the aspect of a fighting chip on a holiday, topographic details, and presented the his death occurred. and she could have given a go.d account lump of amber to the Admiralty, asking Below in her great cabin, a splendid Greenwich Hospital. This was done and room thirty feet square, sat two men the amber brought something like a thousand pounds.

"Here," said Sir Kenneth Moncrieff to "The affair was published not only in Warrington, the American newspaper the service journals but in the popular correspondent, "is the record," handing press and excited much attention. Immediately, however, the Admiralty was Warrington grasped it eagerly. He had informed by the French maritime authorbeen sent out by a great New York daily ities that the island had been discovered to discover certain things concerning a by Captain Gaston, of the French brig mid-Pacific island about which strange Celine, in October, 1829, who had taken and conflicting accounts had been given, formal possession of it in the name of By the exercise of superhuman tact and France. The matter was not of much colossal audacity he found himself abourd international consequence, but there was the yacht of Sir Kenneth Monerieff, the sharp correspondence between the naval man more interested than any other and maritime authorities of Great Britain human being in the doubtful island. | and France over the question. This was It was agreed between the two men, accentuated by the French government who had become fast friends, that Sir sending out a small frigat. L'Hirondelle Kenneth should write in full the history to take formal possession or the island. of the island, and Warrington solemnly which had been named by Captain Gaston swore that he would respect the private L'Isle Céline. The similarity of names part of the record in making up his news increased the confusion, and as Captain paper story. Sir Kenneth Moncrieff, how- Wright was dead there was no explanaever, stipulated that in the event of his tion except by word of mouth of his hav-

Warrington had the keen American and could not be found. The awkwardness

American voice. Sir Kenueth was the Not Be Found. tain Wright was dead and soon after Their Widely perfect picture of a Captain Gaston was murdered by muti-Different Types, beautiful English neers on his vessel. After this, by tacit man, long, thin agreement, neither the British nor the

reading the manuscript, which was in his communication from the commander of own handwriting, singularly firm, with the Albany, Captain Gerry, to the naval "In 1823 the ship Selina, of nine hun-having found and very un uncharted 24 min., longlto Vera Cruz, reported that on February as the Selina Island of the British Ad-21, in longitude 143 deg. 16 min., latitude miralty and L'Isle Céline of the French 11 deg. 24 min., he sighted an uncharted Department of Marine. This was the last island of approximately ten square miles. communication from the Albany, which, it There was a bay with good anchorage, will be recalled, sailed from the United and the Sellna's skipper, Captain Wright. States in August, 1853, and mysteriously went ashore and took possession of the disappeared, her fate remaining unknown

"Meanwhile, almost immediately upon a cairn of rocks, under which he buried Captain Moncrieff's return to England a tin box containing a formal claim to from his voyage to the Pacific, he sucthe island, which he named Selina Island, ceeded his father as tenth baronet, also after his ship and his wife. The island inheriting a large estate, and retired from was remarkably beautiful and promising, the navy. Soon after he became hopeless-

"The Dlomede reached the spot indication on the Alesse most in the presence of a third person—she in the day. The Aleeste had got up steam strangely weak he dressed himself quickly feeling, which he never before experienced passed her arm around his neck, drew him for the first time that morning, and by and went on deck. All was bright and whole ground for a month, but was totally a boy of fourteen at the time of his mirror to reflect Lady Moncrieffs and which his could not explain or even unable to locate the island. Her commanding officer, Captain Moncrieff, on regregation or even to her breast, and kissed him, Langton grandfather, who never ceased to impress the manding officer, Captain Moncrieff, on regregation to see Lady Moncrieff and Langton, saw an expression where the island had once been. Within storm through which the ship must have an hour she was stationary over the spot ing toward Langton, saw an expression where the island had once been. Within storm through which the ship must have an hour she was stationary over the spot ing toward Langton, saw an expression where, three weeks before was an earthly to the head of the stationary of the his response to the time of his mirror to reflect Lady Moncrieff's loveliunderstand, started up on deck. As he reached the companion or even to her breast, and kissed him, Langton started up on deck. As he reached the companion was the added for orderly and gave no indication of the looking on. Sir Kenneth was surprised and embarrassed at her action, and, glancunderstand, started up on deck. As he reached the companion was to the time of his mirror to reflect Lady Moncrieff's loveliunderstand, started up on deck. As he reached the companion was the added for orderly and which he could not explain or even to her breast and kissed him, Langton started up on deck. As he reached the companion was the added for orderly and which he could not explain or even to her breast and which he could not explain or even to her breast and which he could not explain or even to her breast and which he could not be the her arm around his neck, drow him for the first time that morning, and which he could not be the her arm around his neck, drow him for the first time that morning and which he could not be the her arm around his neck time to her breast and kinsted him. Langton started up on deck. As he may be the h manding officer, Captain Moncreiff, on regrandfather, who never censed to impress turning to Singapore, reported his failure upon him that when he reached mandoubt he more agreeable to Sir Kenneth, in his eye, not of amusement, but of menor paradise. The island seemed to have expression his cyc, not of amusement, but of menor paradise. The island seemed to have expressing his thanks for his rescue, asked to find the island to his flag officer. Ad- hood he should make every effort to clear under his changed circumstances, not to but all other feelings were swallowed up ace. After that Sir Kenneth remembered dropped into the ocean's depths.

long chair and watching the faint blue neth. By good fortune and a large out-monds." "Feeling insulted by the Admiral's lan- wreath of smoke from his cigarette. Not lay of money a scagoing yacht was charguage, Captain Moncrieff got leave, rea quiver of an evelocit betrayed that the tered at Malta by Langton. It was ar
turned to England, found Captain Wright injection of Sir Kenneth's own personranged, as soon as the season permitted, occan lay a black speck. At the same
mendous reverberasame moment the first officer came up one of the native boats which ply about and secured every detail from him concerns ality into the story affected him in the that the two vessels should continue their moment the lookout in the top should continue their moment the lookout in the loo who was a man of fortune, fitted out a velled at this, read on with clear emphasis bark and, putting Captain Wright in the tragedy of Sir Kenneth's life, as I. young wife and his friend, and from mobark and, putting Captain Wright in the tragedy of Sir Kenneth's uic, as 1 young wife and generosity put no mysterious island.

command, sailed in her himself as a pas- Sir Kenneth himself were dead and gone tives of delicacy and generosity put no mysterious island.

obstacle in the way "All was now exc

lost. Captain Moncrieff then took com- great fondness and aptitude for the sea mand of the ressel. The data given by He became an euthusiastic yachtsman, be-"He landed in January, 1830, and discoving besides, let fall some expressions showing than the island. His warm friend and coad besides, let fall some expressions showing than the island "Nothing more charming than the island tensive than Captalu Wright had sup-jutor in this noble sport was an old school a feeling of injury toward Sir Kenneth in the June sunrise could be imagined. The sea was evidently agitated and huge that the stand in the June sunrise could be imagined. The sea was evidently agitated and huge that the stand in the June sunrise could be imagined. posed. He also noted, as Captain Wright and university comrade of his, Huga for having asked Miss Chetwynd to marry had done, the flora and fauna and temperature were unusual for that latitude, a man of large inherited fortune. The inment and when it was known that she man of large inherited fortune. The rich follows.

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A cold sweat broke out over Warring. In the middle of the island was a cone- timacy, which began at Harrow and con- would be left penniless. Also Langton carly morning. The rich foliage, the mountain of water, the next moment slid the Alceste to Singapore."

basin the size and shape of an extinct Monerieff to be the soul of honor. He warmer friendship than before. "It must have been quenched, however, all the accomplishments of a man of the Kenneth and Lady Monerical abourd, and island, as it had impressed Captain she floated like a log upon the convulsed We shall probably be at anchor before is no entry of any such vessel in the log ages and ages ago, for trees and huge world. No thought of jealousy or rivalry Langton in his bired yacht, the Siren, Wright and Captain Monerieff. In the ocean. The roaring and thundering came midnight." between Langton and Sir Kenneth bad started in company to scarch for Selina centre was the conclike elevation which from the depths of the sea, and it seemed Warrington did not share Sir Kenneth's used last night, which was perfectly

two friends made a number of experi-erable sail power.

Kenneth Moncrieff. The yacht sailed Albany. timate object was.

the lady who, within two months, became out the island, and Lady Moncrieff, who to make his discovery known to the world, fell head foremost. The same gigantic

through the sapphire sea the island was claimed for France by Cap to England before his retirement, with the supposed was Langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul The Alceste chose a berth above a quarint the gold and silver of tain Gaston, of the French brig Celine, of She was a girl of singuing beauty, with the object of Sie Konnech's this was resident to the windward of the variety and the supposed was Langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul The Alceste chose a berth above a quarint of the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. Only one living soul the supposed was langton's gener storm swept ocean. the noontime. Everything Boulogne. Captain Moncrieff, who hap great masses of long golden hair, which exchanged between the yachts, and on interfere with the object of Sir Kenneth's this was Langton, who stood with arms cruiser. In letting go the anchor an unthe noontime. Everything poned to be alone when he discovered the she sometime. let fall about her like a the night of June 16, 1895, Langton came voyage. Langton showed a warm desire poned to be alone when he discovered the she sometime. let fall about her like a the night of June 16, 1895, Langton came voyage. Langton showed a warm desire ontstretched and lead thrown back, as if fortunate accident occurred. The hawser french flag, removed it with the iron veil. Her manners were fascinating, and about the Alexste to dinner and to reber smokestacks and ventilators. Nothing box. He had intended to remain at least both Sir Kenneth and Hugh Langton main the night. At that time every one island, and it was arranged in order to next moment came a crash which seemed very much endangered the screw. As this save time that they should do alternate to rend the ocean itself. The Siren diswere set to work at once to clear it. In be imagined than the lines of the Alceste, explore it thoroughly, but he thought it ginning. It made, however, no outward the island at any moment. It was not but her tonnage was over the two thou-best after this discovery, and knowing difference in their relations, although it however, seen before sunset. After dinbut her tonnage was over the two thord over the two the two thord over the two for the little sister of a crack third class to England as speedily as possible. This the young lady favored. Soon after Gen- ton went up on deck, where they re- Lady Moncrieff, and when Sir Kenneth cruiser. Her afterdeck was as clear of he did, carrying with him the lump of eral Chetwynd's arrival at Singapore he mained until nearly midnight. A great returned Laugton would for a couple of cushions, rugs and ham-nocks as the quar- amber. He made a long report to the grew ill and it was impossible for him to moon blazed in the heavens, making the days take up the work. Sir Kenneth was terdeck of a war ship. She had indeed Admiralty, giving exact geographic and proceed to England. Within six weeks ocean almost as light as day. The beauty surprised, however, to find no amber

"This brought matters to a crisis; Sir neth and his young wife and Langton,

anywhere upon the island. of herself either in fighting or running. that it might be sold for the benefit of Kenneth Moncrieff proposed to Eleanor and they remained on deck talking with

her was served for the last time in their seemed their portion. white evening gown looked seductively lence at the hands of his own men.

miral Knowlton. Captain Moncrieff's his grandfather's memory in this matter have a guest aboard the Alceste, and pro- in surprise and delight when Lady Mon- nothing more until he found himself lying "It was then precisely twelve o'clock fully dressed in his berth on the Alceste and the sun was blazing in the cloudless tenant, looking slightly puzzled, "but I

elements.

air was black and had suddenly stopped. the Alceste trembled and plunged like a "The skipper and Sir Kenneth simul- Warrington's heart stood still and his

tinued through Oxford, was comented by seemed to have a desire to be revenged green, gently relling landscape and flower down into a black and scething abyss. At Here the manuscript abruptly ended captain, coolly turning to his orderly, solitary peak. Captain Moncrieff climbed the similarity of tastes between the two upon Sir Kenneth. This, however, was scented air gave sweet invitation to man one moment her screw raced violently Sir Kenneth added, in his usual na-directed the man to bring the log book. unknown and unsuspected by Sir Ken- to make his dwelling in this place of en- around, at another it was buried under shaken voice -"Langton was reckeded by Sir Kenneth neth, and he regarded Langton with even Monerieff to be the soul of honor. He had great charm of manner, united with "In April, 1895, the Alceste, with Sir unread nature and temperature of the works were a mass of wreckage, but still pore to-night, but too late to get a pilot. "You will see," said the captain, "there ever arisen in Sir Kenneth's mind. Island. The coal capacity of both yachts had been observed by all who had set as if the floor of the ocean were being rent coolness. The story he had heard agr-calm."

ested in this matter of Selina Island as eight thousand miles from their inst coal- season it was clothed with green both "Suddenly between the Alceste and the he had not advanced an inch in solving treme torment. After a moment he arose the caire. In digging for this box, how. Sir Kenneth himself, and together the ing place, and they had besides, considing the edge of the gigantic roaring furnace of the island, the mystery of the Doubtful Island. interior basin waved a crown of titanic which cast a red giare for twenty miles So far from doing so, it appeared to Something in Warrington's face made the did, he found a lump of amber weighing mental voyages in a large seagoing yacht, "They managed to get a full supply of ferns, their graceful branches outlined like upon the black sky and sea, appeared what have deepened. Warrington was at a captain say to the orderly: coal off the coast of Madagascar and lace against the vivid blue of the sky. seemed to be the ghost of a vessel. It loss to determine how he should account reached by the middle of June the im-i "Sir Kenneth had made provision for a was the Siren, flung so close to the Al- to his newspaper for his failure to dis- on that man."

of the Alceste's malnmast.

Him.

ished the skipper, who asked it he should send the launch back for her. To this which the Alceste signalled back, "No help Sir Kenneth gave an unintelligible reply required. Repairing trifling accident." and went below. While the skipper was The work proved extraordinarily tedious therefore did not have the boat hauled shirt. up. Suddenly a great flame shot up from A faint chill wind had sprung up-the the green cone on the island. The sky wind called by the Cingalose "the wind grew instantly black and then began the series of gigantic convulsions which lasted A Wind Sprang ly a huge dark ripfor three days and nights. The Siren Up—the Wind ple began to adhad been engulfed and the escape of the Alceste was miraculous. She was terplies she carried would be able to refit ing sky a terrific gust of wind, which

calmness. "The skinner told his fearful story stolid- engulfed. but Sir Kenneth noticed that the man's There was a roar of cracking timbers the terrible fate of all who had visited head above the water, he found himself

island home to Sir Kenneth Monerleff, "His grandfather, Captain Monerleff, had shining.

Been Engulfed, sky and sea. The announced that the yacht's chronometer times employ and are occasionally robbed

living thing in an agony of terror. Sir taneously looked at their own chronom-pulses seemed to freeze within him. He through the Indian Ocean Captain Wright spirits whose earthly feet had tred the Langton Seemed of their frequent and steam was increased as rapidly as and the sight which met his eyes appalled found that every watch on board had see the captain of the cruiser. "All was now excitement on the Alceste Kenneth managed to crawl upon the deck eters. Both had stopped, and it was only asked quietly, however, if he might suddenly developed a violent form of inmysterious shores of the vanishing island. to Have a Desire association. Langpossible. Every soul on both yachts was
and the sight which met his eyes appalled found that every watch on board had
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The boy, who succeeded to his grandTo Be Revenged ton was a remarksoun awake and also, and als Alceste had made about sixty sea miles through and then said :-

Siren, and she passed directly across the night she reached the lower bay of Singa-By Foxcroft Davis forefoot of the Alceste, but high above, pore. A great flood of moonlight made the her gunwale almost touching the stump sea and sky almost as light as day. Another vessel, an American second class "The Siren was silhquetted with unearth- cruiser, lay stately and serene at anchor.

"When Sir Ken- to starboard at an angle which to Warself it was with the An apprehension of evil quickly possessed All Appalled strange subcon- him, and he determined to remain on deck sciousness that ter- instead of going below. Sir Kenneth was rible events had on the bridge, his tall figure standing out of the scene seemed to bewitch Sir Ken- along the constline and no indications of it happened and the calmness of destruction, distinctly in the white radiance of the had succeeded the tumuit. He was still great bright moon. The sky, however, "The weather continued exquisitely lying in his berth on the Alceste, but the which hall been beautifully clear and beautiful, with cloudless days and starlit sea was smooth and through the open port studded with lustrous stars, suddenly benights. Life in the tents, which were he could see the sunlit waves heaving gen- came obscured by scudding clouds, through provided with every modern convenience, tit. He felt for his electric bell and which the moon glared fitfully. Great was luxurious. Lady Moncrieff was in touched it, and it was answered not by masses of black clouds came rushing from the highest spirits, and her sympathy and his valet but by the skipper of the yacht. the southeast and piled up from the horipride in her busband's success added much Sir Kenneth asked the details of all that zon to the zenith. So dark it grew that to Sir Kenneth's happiness. He promised had happened, and from him found that lanterns were found necessary in order her that his gift of diamonds should be he had come aboard the Alceste alone the that the men might see while working to he had come aboard the Alceste alone the disentangle the hawser. The lights and the noises on the Alceste attracted the "The absence of Lady Moncrieff aston- attention of the cruiser, which set up a ished the skipper, who asked if he should signal, "Do you need assistance?"

> and went below. While the samplet considering what to do he saw a boat put and at two o'clock in the morning it was considering what to do he saw a noat in still going on. Warrington, who had off from the island for the Siren and it were Lady Monerieff and Langton, never left the poop, felt his apprehension The skipper supposed that Lady Mon- of danger become a conviction. It in-crieff had gone with Sir Kenneth's knowl- duced him to take the precaution of putedge aboard the Siren and that he would ting the manuscript into a leather pocketprobably go after her in the taunch and book he carried and placing it inside his

of Death. vance over the surface of the occan; ribly injured, but by means of the sup- all at once there burst from the threaten-

enough to crawl back to Singapore. Every struck the Alceste as if with a giant hand. soul on the island had undoubtedly been Warrington felt the deck slipping from wallowed up and the island itself had under his feet and saw the racht turning been destroyed. It was now the fifteenth slowly over to starboard, thus, suddenly day afterward and only within twenty- losing her equilibrium, she plunged head four hours had the sea assumed its usual foremost into the black and seething waters. A fearful cry arose from the souls

bar, which had been of raven blackness, and shattered metals and a crash as the had suddenly grown an iron gray. The great estaract of water forced the air from shock of what the skipper had told affect- the racht. Warrington felt himself hurled even more costly than he 'and at first ed Sir Kenneth strangely. For the first into the sea. The suction of the vessel time he had an illumination of the mind was so tremendous that although Warringconcerning Lady Moncrieff and Langton, ton was a strong swimmer and struck out mained months on the island, but his and he realized that he had been bereft quickly, it was only by the utmost effort work being finished within three weeks, both of his wife and his friend before the he could drag himself away from the maelhe felt it a sacred duty to Captain Mon- frightful catastrophe of the island hap strom that would have carried him down crieff's memory to return to England. Arpened. The borrer of it appalled him with the doomed Alceste and her company,
rangements were made, therefore, that the and he lay still as death, but abnormally He fought and struggled with the waves tents should be struck and the return conscious for hours. His grief and his he knew not how long; but after a time, voyage begun on the morning of July 7, rage were swallowed up in contemplating recovering himself enough to raise him

"On the evening of the 6th of July din- the Doubtful Island. Death or disgrace floating close under the quarter of the cruiser, upon which many lights were and Lady Moucrieff and Langton. The been wrecked in his professional reputa- He had strength enough to utter a faint scene was particularly impressed upon tion and health and happiness after have cry; the next moment a life buoy was Sir Kenneth. The table, brilliant with ing once set foot on the Island. Captain thrown out to him, followed by a rope lights and flowers, the menu prepared by Wright lind been a suicide and the French with a bight in it. This Warrington man-

the Alceste's chef, and Lady Moncrieff in captain, Gaston, had died a death of vio- aged to catch and was hauled on board the cruiser. As he was dragged out of the beautiful. All were in great spirits and "Captain Gerry, of the United States sea and laid upon the forward deck he rather more champagne was drunk than sloop of war Albany, had touched at the fainted. When consciousness returned he usual by the party, but there was nothing island, and he and his whole ship's com- was lying in a comfortable berth and atapproaching drunkenness. After dinner pany had disappeared forever from the tended by a surgeon. He felt only a lanter giving orders that the Alceste should out of doors and walked down upon the honor had been the portion of Lady Mon-ments of semi-consciousness he dropped

was radiant with stars. Both yachts asked himself, with the coolness born of When he awakened next he realized that "Sir Kenneth retired to his own room had steam up, and it was settled that the despair, what further blow of fate was it was morning and he was lying in the sickbay of the cruiser. His clothes dried later, in August, 1826, the British sloop fessional reputation, as well as his perneth's marriage should make no change of the ruising in Pacific waters, was sent to this matter of the island's discovery.

In August, 1826, the British sloop fessional reputation, as well as his perneth's marriage should make no change of the ruising should make no change of the ruising of the ruising should make no change of the ru "His elder son, also a naval officer, died voyage, had a room on the Alesste most him and that he needed to be avenged on Kenneth had never known her to do before on deck. It was then about eleven o'clock from his berth, and although feeling

> "I beg your pardon," replied the lieu-"I have seen land! I was the first to in the midst of a convulsion of all the heavens. Sir Kenneth, who was forward, know of no such vesset as you describe happened to glance into the standard Last night was perfectly calm. About "He knew not whether it were day or compass. He was astounded to see the two o'clock your cry was heard and we

> > and murdered for it."

sanity with suicidal mania and succeeded in the boy, who succeeded to his grand. To Be Revenged to his grand on away and seemed now one great, glowing, temporarily lost its magnetism. Although in a few minutes Warrington was seated now one great, glowing, temporarily lost its magnetism. Although in a few minutes Warrington was seated now one great, glowing, temporarily lost its magnetism. Although in a few minutes Warrington was seated now one great, glowing, temporarily lost its magnetism. Although in a few minutes warrington was seated now one great, glowing, temporarily lost its magnetism. Although in a few minutes warrington was seated now one great, glowing, temporarily lost its magnetism. Although in a few minutes warrington was seated now one great, glowing, temporarily lost its magnetism. Although in a few minutes warrington was seated now one great, glowing, temporarily lost its magnetism. Although in a few minutes warrington was seated now one great, glowing, temporarily lost its magnetism. Although in a few minutes warrington was seated now one great, glowing, temporarily lost its magnetism. Although in a few minutes warrington was seated now one great, glowing, temporarily lost its magnetism. "Certainly," replied the lieutenant, and and a favorite with Alceste, closely followed by the Siren, flames that leaped almost to the low over-position had to be ascertained by dead man. To him Warrington told with permand of the ressel. The data given by He became an enthusiastic yachtsman, bewomen. Sir Kendropped anchor in Selina Bay. By the
langing. black sky. A furious wind reckoning. Fortunately this strange and feet clearness of detail all that happened and Captain Monerieff had no difficulty it Great Britain, France and America. He attentions to Ludy Monerieff while at seemed blowing from all quarters at once, alarming condition was not observed by since the night before, when the Alcesto was out and and ashes, rocks and trees were being the crew, but its effect upon the officers came to anchor by permission of the time the anchor kissed the ground the seemed blowing from all quarters at once, alarming condition was not observed by since the night before, when the Alcesto "He landed in January, 1830, and discoving before undertaking the rediscovery of persons from the beginning. Langton, Sir Kenneth, with Lady Moneriest and hurled in every direction miles outward was uncomfortable. It was not until the cruiser. The captain in silence heard him "The sea was evidently agitated and huge that the standard compass became "I know of no vessel seen by us last

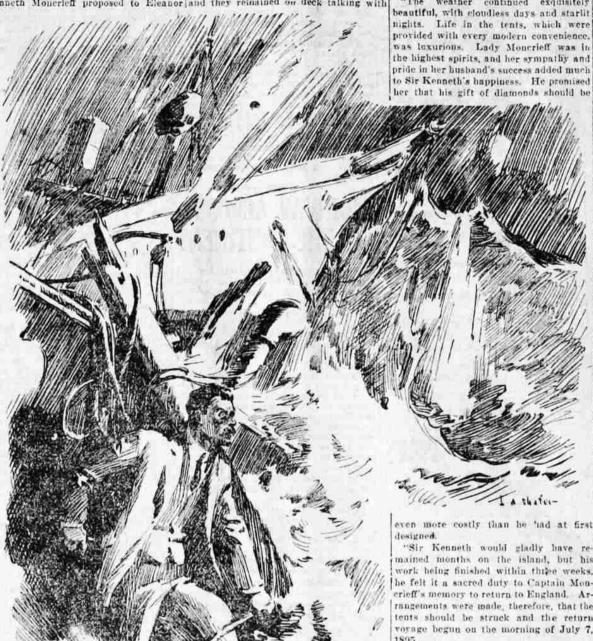
Warrington sat rigid and as if clutched

book. There were no signals of any sort

tated him, and, besides, it indicated that Warrington remained silent but in exand, bowing to the captain, left the cabin.

"Tell the master-at-arms to keep an eve

All day the Alceste sped over purple his hand touched the pistol Warrington



but the vegetation was singular, and while ly invalided, but he survived more than The Next Moment Came a crash Which Seemed to rend the Ocean there was some indication of volcanic or forty years, dying, at the age of seventy- Chetwynd, was accepted, and they were the greatest intimacy until midnight. Af- Lady Monerical and they were the greatest intimacy until midnight. Af- Lady Monerical and they were the greatest intimacy until midnight.

however, did not fully explore the island, with a high sense of personal and profes- is with generosity and consideration. The "His report was forwarded to the Brit- sional honor. He was passionately found new Lady Monerieff was an enthusiastic where he slept soundly until about two Monerieffs and Laugton should sleep on left for him.

Sir Kenneth retired to his own room had steam up, and it was settled that the despair, what ish Admiralty, and two years and a haif of the navy, and conceived that his proyachtswoman, and insisted that Sir Kenneth retired to his own room had steam up, and it was settled that the despair, what is he slept soundly until about two Monerieffs and Laugton should sleep on left for him.

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posed to charter a scagoing yacht and ac- crieff cried our joyfully to him -to the Admiral, who made some severe comWarrington paused for a moment and company the Alceste upon her voyage. "I have seen land! I was the first to ments on this particular point of the faillooked at Sir Kenneth, lying back in his This was highly acceptable to Sir Kensee it, and you owe me a riviere of dia-

"Sir Kenneth had entire confidence in his There could be, however, no doubt that

the Alceste, built on the clyde for Sir coal off the coast of Madagascar and lace against the vivid blue of the sky.

turned out to be an admirable and enthus and this he had necomplished without convulsion changed the course of the seas, but shortly before ten o'clock that fired and fell dead.

proceed at half speed during the night beach. There

"Sir Kenneth ran up on deck, and there!

" 'Land, ho !"

"Langion became almost as deeply inter- gave them a steaming radius of about foot upon this strange island. At this as under.

"At last in 1894 Sir Kenneth, accom- mediate neighborhood of Selina Island as considerable stay upon the island, and ceste that it was as if some giant hand cover anything tangible about the island. The orderly started off at a rapid pace, arnied by Langton, started upon his real charted by Captain Wright, Captain tents were immediately set up and had hurled one yacht against the other. Instead of the expedition establishing his but he was too late. Twenty yards away, oyage of discovery, not mentioning, how Monerleff, Captain Gaston and Captain equipped, in which the Monerieffs and Both were completely helpless, and every reputation in his profession, it was more through the half drawn curtain of an officover, to any one except Langton what his Gerry, of the 'inited States sloop of war Langton lived ashors. Sir Kenneth on soul on the Alceste waited for the moment likely to blast his future. These painful cer's room, Warrington had seen a pistol that day considered that he had reached when the two vessels should deal each thoughts and the effect upon his nerves lying on the bureau. When the orderly way of Suez, called at a number of "Like Columbus, Sir Kenneth promised the ultimate height of human happiness, other a mortal blow that would send them of the story he had beerd were extremely caught sight of him he was standing be orts and finally stopped at Singapore, a handsome sum of money to the first He had imbibed his grandfather's pas- both to the bottom. A sudden chasm harassing to him, and he reckoned the day fore the mirror with the pistel to his ear. Phere Sir Kenneth met for the first time man on the Alceste or the Siren who made sionate desire to rediscover the island and opened in the ocean into which the Alceste one of the most auxious he had ever spent. The orderly dashed forward, but before